GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2436
ANSWERED ON:05.12.2001
INDO-AFGHANISTAN TIES
GADDE RAMAMOHAN;M.V.V.S MURTHI;NAMDEO HARBAJI DIWATHE;SHIVAJI MANE

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to restore the relations with Afghanistan;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JASWANT SINGH)

(a)-(c) A diplomatic mission of the Ministry of External Affairs visited Kabul, Afghanistan on 21 November 2001. The Mission team comprised of Special Envoy for Afghanistan, senior officials of the Ministry of External Affairs, interpreters and other essential staff. There was also a medical and nursing component with the team, which has stayed behind along with the Liaison Officer of the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India.